Earnest gaze -

I happened in to see Billings & found the portrait he has made from this - It strikes me one of his best - very successful. I am so glad you have something so good - wish I had as much of Ann - It must be a great satisfaction to the children - Still marble & canvas "steal but a glance" - memory is so much richer & more varied -

very affy

Wendell Phillips

W. L. Garrison

hen she laughed at my blunder!

Your recollections go straight to one's heart the portraits are so exact & faithful every one must recognize it -

Anny bids me thank you specially for the Arabic poem you added for us - She reads & sees it with all her soul. She & I think the Photographs good - but not quite equal in expression to the ambro- - type copy - How does Helen love I seem, Helen looking ah with just that bright,

house come back to me,
where so many happy & well
freighted hours hastied - the
plans - the hopes - the hurry
the crowds - the eagerness - the
sorrows - the oddities mixed
with the saints -

Then our sleigh rides
to near towns, Stoneham,
Lynn, Reposset - to hold
sunday meetings, & the cold
drive home cheered by Helen's
laugh & unflagging spirits -
once, I think, I mistook
a railway for the road & locked
the runners fast into the rail-

6 May '76

My Dear Garrison

Thanks for your interesting volume - It takes me back so many years - & brings freshly to memory so many dear names - the morning of our toilsome, triumphant day - As I sit reading it, Cambridgeport - Penikese - that somewhat bleak South End